

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, September 19, 2023, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Tomaino, at the Milton Fire Station. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Tomaino, Trustee DiBernardi, Trustee Villone, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Interim Fire Chief Oles, Zoning Inspector Kurilla were all present. Road & Cemetery Dunn, Sr., and Police Chief Van Dyke were excused.

Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of August 15, 2023, 09-19-23-01, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through August 31, 2023 - The General Fund balance is \$631,250.34 and Restricted Fund balances are \$2,311,976.78. Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$2,943,227.12, which represents approximately 21% of all funds available. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #32868 through #32905 and EFT #439 thru #557 totaling \$202,503.69 and 2 reallocations within the same fund. Revenue received to date \$1,942,696.52. Total expenditures year to date total \$1,328,803.59. Ms. Balsinger also reported all departments are within their budgets and received their departmental reports.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #32868 through #32905 and EFT #439 through #557 totaling \$202,503.69, and 2 reallocations. 09-19-23-02, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Kurilla reported seven permits issued for the month of August. Estimated valuation for the month of August \$1,501,977.00 - Estimate valuation to date of year 2023, \$5,477,720.00, Total amount of permit fees for the month of August \$6,755.00 -Total amount of receipts to YTD 2023 \$25,005.00

Mr. Kurilla will send Carol Chepke a summary report that he has regarding Bed & Breakfast.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Interim Chief Oles reported August had a total of 54 calls. 45 calls in Milton Township and 9 others. Calls were – 0 structure fire, 4 accidents, 21 medical, 0 grass fire, 0 carbon monoxide, 15 tree/wires down, 0 water emergency rescue, 0 Car Fire, 9 mutual aids, 0 burning complaints, 4 alarm activation, 0 gas leak and 1 other. 371 total calls to date this year. Medical Transport by MFD – 12.

1. All bills have been submitted to Fiscal for review.
2. The department completed service at the Canfield Fair.
3. The department received the EMS grant in the amount of 4,063.17.

Trustee Tomaino moved to accept the EMS Grant and purchase stock bags in the amount of \$2,154.44 and submit to grant, 09-19-23-03, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the estimate from Falls Electric for electrical repair and added outlet in the amount of \$667.86, 09-19-23-04, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the purchase of disposable supplies from Bound Tree, 09-19-23-05, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to have the jeep repaired in the amount of \$2,512.26 at Leemen's, 09-19-23-06, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the medical leave for William Ilgenfritz, 09-19-23-07, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:

Road Report:

Report submitted and on file.

Chairman Tomaino reported on an issue with catch basin on Whisper Lane. Mr. Tomaino will discuss estimates in the amounts of Milton, \$1,600, Juda, \$1,700 and Miller \$2,200 with home owners because only part of this is township responsibility and we are legally not allowed to do improvements on private property.

Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the removal of pine trees near the catch basin on Whisper Lane for approximately \$3,000, 09-19-23-08, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to move forward with the project on Whisper Lane pending the agreement with home owners on their cost share, 09-19-23-09, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Report Submitted and on file.

Trustee Villone moved to accept the credit amount given by Vance's accepting of weapons and ammo being removed by court order from evidence, 09-19-23-10, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the overnight training for the police chief in Columbus, 09-19-23-11, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve sending Officer Elston to the training for active shooter, 09-19-23-12, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank You received from resident to road department for removal of down tree after storm.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Villone moved to accept the LED sign advertising application approved by county prosecutors, 09-19-23-13, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to pass a resolution requesting the Mahoning County Commissioners to adopt a resolution to prohibit construction of any economically significant wind farm, large wind farm or large solar facility in the unincorporated area of Milton Township, 09-19-23-14, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Tomaino moved to accept the scope of service estimate of \$10,000 from Dave Bakalar at Thomas Fok & Associates for the engineering of street light additions on Mahoning Avenue, 09-19-23-15, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to set Trick or Treat day to Tuesday October 31, 2023 from 5 PM to 7 PM, 09-19-23-16, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to accept the Arpa money from the Mahoning County Commissioners in the amount of \$132,000 for the lighting, benches and flower boxes to go on Mahoning Ave, 09-19-23-17, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone approved the updated policy for Direct Deposit payments from the township, 09-19-23-18, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to accept the electricity litigation payment and use to provide a luncheon for employees under the employee recognition program, 09-19-23-19, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the overnight stay and training in Columbus for fiscal officer offered by the treasurer's office, 09-19-23-20, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Reminders:

1. Next Milton Township Board Meeting will be Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at Town Hall 7 PM.
2. Mandatory Drug Free Workplace Training, Monday September 25th, 6 PM and Saturday September 30th 9 AM.
3. MCTA FALL DINNER Thursday September 21ST 6PM hosted by Springfield.
4. Aflac open enrollment meeting Wednesday September 27th 2-4 PM.
5. Candidate Night at the American Legion Thursday October 12th 6 PM.

Public Comments:

None

Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session at 7:49 PM to discuss employment, benefits and disciplinary action of a public employee, 09-19-23-21, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi, and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session 8:50 PM 9-19-23-22, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Mr. Villone moved to adjourn the meeting, 09-19-23-23, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Date: 10/17/2023